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SUBJECT INFORMATION ON FOREIGN NATIONAL "DESAPARACEDIOS"

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1. WE WERE INTERESTED TO LEARN FROM REFTEL THAT THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS EXPECTING TO RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES WITH RESPECT TO THE FATE OF DAGMAR HAGELIN.

2. THIS PARALLELS INFORMATION GIVEN US TODAY [ ] THAT ADMIRAL MASSERA HAS BEEN GRANTED A MEETING WITH FRENCH PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING TO PRESENT TO HIM CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE TWELVE FRENCH CITIZENS MISSING IN ARGENTINA. (FOUR OF THESE ARE DUAL NATIONALS.) THE MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN PARISON NOVEMBER 8, 1978 AT 1600 HOURS.

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3. [ ] PRESIDENT GISCARD WOULD INFORM THE FRENCH FAMILIES OF ANY

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INFORMATION HE RECEIVES FROM MASSERA. THE FAMILIES WOULD BE FREE TO DISCUSS THIS INFORMATION WITH THE PRESS.

4. MASSERA'S STAFFERS HAVE ASSURED THE FRENCH EMBASSY THAT THE MASSERA INITIATIVE IS BEING UNDERTAKEN WITH THE FULL COOPERATION AND SUPPORT OF ARMY CINC VIOLA. THE FRENCH EMBASSY HERE HAS REPORTEDLY EMPHASIZED TO ADMIRAL MASSERA THAT IF HE DOES NOT PRODUCE SUBSTANTIAL INFORMATION DURING HIS SPECIAL MEETING WITH GISCARD ARGENTINE CREDIBILITY WILL BE SEVERELY INJURED. MASSERA REPORTEDLY REPLIED THAT AS A POLITICIAN HE UNDERSTOOD. MASSERA INFORMED THE FRENCH EMBASSY THAT HIS INFORMATION REGARDING THE DISAPPEARED CAME FROM NAVY SOURCES AND FROM "SPECIALIZED SERVICES" WITHIN THE ARMY.

5. SOURCE MENTIONED THAT OTHER COMMON MARKET EMBASSIES HAVE RECEIVED HINTS THAT INFORMATION REGARDING THE WHEREABOUTS OF THEIR MISSING NATIONALS MIGHT BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATION CONTACTS HAVE SUGGESTED THAT INFORMATION REGARDING SPANISH MISSING CITIZENS WOULD BE PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SPANISH KING'S VISIT.

6. COMMENT: WE FIND PUZZLING THE SUGGESTION THAT GENERAL VIOLA HAS AGREED TO ADMIRAL MASSERA'S TAKING THE FOLE [REDACTED] SINCE WE CANNOT IMAGINE VIOLA'S NEEDING OR WANTING MASSERA [REDACTED]  
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AS ARGENTINA'S "EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS AGENT." ON THE OTHER HAND IF SUCH A THING WERE TRUE IT MIGHT INDICATE A GENERAL RESOLUTION BY GOA TO GET ON WITH THE HARD BUSINESS OF FINDING OR ADMITTING THE DEATH OF FOREIGN OR DUAL NATIONAL "DISAPPEARED." END COMMENT.

7. FOR STOCKHOLM: WE ARE INTERESTED IN KNOWING IF THE CONTACTS WITH THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN THROUGH ARGENTINE NAVY OR ADMIRAL MASSERA CHANNELS. THE NAVY HAS IN THE PAST BEEN THE ONLY SERVICE WILLING TO DISCUSS PROVIDING INFORMATION REGARDING THE MISSING. CASTRO

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